



DOLOMITE LEDGES NATURAL HERITAGE AREA (SHEFFIELD, MA.) 1,000 2,000 Feet

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Size: 198.3 acres located on a very steep east-facing slope rising up toward Bald

Peak. Elevations range from 740 to 2050 feet.

Access: No formal parking areas. A small grass pull-off along Rte. 41 affords

room for 2-3 vehicles.

Vegetation: This area protects a unique natural area of ledges and outcrops comprised

of dolomite, a magnesium-rich limestone. Conifers cover roughly 1/3 of the area mainly along the lowest and highest slopes with hardwoods, mostly oaks, in the middle. Once at the "ledges" the slope rises very steeply to the west gaining 1000 vertical feet in just over 2430 ground feet.

Water: There are no ponds, stream, or wetlands on the area.

Wildlife: Deer, turkeys, bobcats and occasionally bears inhabit the area.

Special Regulations: